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1809. *Nov.* 17. (Patterson; and 6 others.)

Committee on Cloud's paper continued by request.
Donations: Several recent publications.

1809. *Dec.* 1. (Barton; and 6 others.)

Drawing of improved open and close stoves, invented by H. Voight; ordered to be placed on file.

1809. *Dec.* 15. (Dr. Collin; and 11 others.)

Cloud's memoir on Platinum reported for publication.
Elmslie's Meteorological Journal at the Cape of Good Hope; Committee recommended its reference to the Meteorological Committee. So ordered.
No papers for the Magellanic premium.
Donation: Rios' Navigation Tables, 2d ed., 1809.

1810. *Jan'y* 5. *Between* 2 *and* 5 P. M. (Barton; Chapman, Allison, J. B. Smith, Wylie, Staughton, Collin, Patterson, McDowell, Bolman, Duffield, Dupont, Vaughan.)

Collin, Allison, Chapman, Judges; Vaughan, Clerk.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

President—Thomas Jefferson.
Vice-Presidents—Patterson, Wistar, Barton.
Secretaries—James, Hewson, Chapman, Allison.
Councillors—DuPonceau, Williams, Dickerson, White.
Councillor for 1 *year*—Seybert (vice Woodward, deceased).
Curators—Peale, Hare, J. R. Smith.
Treasurer—Vaughan.

1810. *Jan'y* 19. (10 present.)

Donations: Camper's Works, with a letter from his son (Œuvres, 3 Vols. 8°, and Vol. Plates, Paris, 1808; also Letter to Cuvier on the Mæstrich fossils, 4); on the Upas;

De l'Isle's Christalographie, 4 Vols, 8°, 2d ed., 1783 ("The Society already possess models of the Christals"), and four other publications.

Tables for computing Lunar Long., &c., and to find the Moon's hourly velocity, by W. Lambert; referred to Garnet, Patterson and J. R. Smith.

An account of sundry inventions in a letter from Jos. Coppenger.

Jane Aitken's proposal to reprint Transactions Vols. I, II, III, referred to J. R. Smith and Vaughan.

The printers having refused to advertise the meetings gratis, the Librarian had discontinued the advertisement.

Mr. Vaughan chosen Librarian.

1810. *Feb'y* 2. (Barton; Briggs, Godon and 11 others.)

Jefferson accepts the presidency by letter.

"An attempt to explain the origin of meteoric stones," by Dr. Spalding, of New Hampshire; read and referred to Hare, Cloud and Dickerson.

Donations: Howell's map of Pennsylvania; Perthes' Carte hydro. de Pologne.

1810. *Feb'y* 16. (Patterson; and 15 others.)

Treasurer's accounts referred to Dickerson and Gibson. (Gibson going out of town, J. R. Smith substituted.)

Report on Spaulding's memoir laid on the table.

Donation from M. Michaux of an Agricultural report.

"Early Obs. on the Seasons &c. in the Swedish Settlements on the Delaware," chiefly translated from the records of the Swedish Missionaries, being the commencement of a memoir to be completed at a future meeting," was read by Dr. Collin.

Invitation to an Eulogium on Dr. Woodhouse received from the Medical Society, for February 21st.

1810. *March* 2. (Patterson; and 14 others.)

Donation of two pamphlets.

1810. *March* 16. (Patterson; and 7 others.)

Auditing Committee reported on hand Dec. 31, 1808: £85 ·· 10 ·· 1, on General Account; £202 ·· 15 ·· 6 Magellanic Fund; £25 ·· 0 ·· 11 Rittenhouse Fund. And Dec. 31, 1809: £49 ·· 12 ·· 2; £267 ·· 17 ·· 6; £26 ·· 10 ·· 11.

Treasurer authorized, "with the approbation of Mr Patterson," to invest the surplus of the Magellanic Fund in some productive stock of the United States.

Treasurer stated that Mrs. Searjant [*sic*] and Mrs. Waters, Ex. of Rittenhouse, requested conference on the business of the Observatory trust. "Previous to a decision the Society adjourned."

1810. *April* 6. (Barton; and 12 others.)

Donations: Letters from Europe, 2 Vols, Phila., 1805, presented by Jos. Sansom; 3 Silver medals illustrative of the Hist. Amer. Revol. designed by J. Sansom and engraved by J. Reich, presented by Sansom.

Patterson deposited the Plan of a Rule to determine how many 1000 ems or squares are in a page of any sized type from Pica down to Diamond, by S. H. Saunders, Jr.

Two letters from W. Lambert to R. Patterson read; Lambert permitted to withdraw his paper; his letter of March 25 referred to Patterson, J. R. Smith and Collins.

Mrs. Sargeant [*sic*], and Hester Waters' request that the Observatory and ground be reconveyed to them "for certain reasons . . . . offering . . . . to present to the Soc. the Transit Instruments and the Clock, together with the Money bequeathed by Mrs Rittenhouse for keeping the Building in repair" was read, and with all other papers relating to the same subject referred to Patterson, Vaughan and Wistar.

1810. *April* 20. (Patterson; McDowell, Allison, J. B. Smith, Robert Hare, Jr., Drs. Barton, Mease, Conover, Chapman.)

The Committee "having taken the opinion of Council [*sic*] learned in the law," recommend the following resolution:

"*Resolved,* That the Soc. accede to the request of Mrs. Sergeant & Mrs. Waters . . . . and a Com. be applied to make the reconveyance . . . . and to receive . . . . the Instruments . . . ."

Adopted; and the same Committee appointed.

Clock: "The same Com. were directed to set up the Astronomical Clock & Transit Instrument . . . . in some proper position in the Hall of the Society, and fix a meridian mark, and . . . . ascertain by actual measurement the exact bearing & distance or difference of Lat. & Long. of the new Scite [*sic*] of the Instrument, from that which it now occupies."

1810. *May* 4. (Patterson; and 11 others.)

Donations: Histoire du Japan, 6 Vols., 1754; and pamphlets.

"On Paper obtained from the Liber of *Morus rubra*," by Mr. Godon (specimens exhibited) was read and referred to Barton, Hewson and James.

1810. *May* 18. (Wistar; and 6 others.)

Report of Board of Officers recommending the publication of the Laws, ordered to lie on the table.

Donation: Cat. Lib. R. Inst. G. B., 8°, 1809.

"Directions for making such observations on land as will furnish sufficient data for finding the Lat. & Long. without the aid of any other Instrument than a good common watch & such other apparatus as any person may readily procure or even make for himself," read by Mr. Patterson, and referred to J. R. Smith, Allison and Clay.

1810. *June* 15. (Barton; and 12 others.)

Godon's paper reported worthy of publication in the next volume.

Warden's acknowledgment of election, Paris, February 10, read.

Donations: Various French publications; and Inaug. Dissertations from Upsal.

Description and analysis of Meteoric Stone which fell at Weston, Connecticut, December 4, 1807, by D. B. Warden; read and referred to Godon, Cloud and Collins.

1810. *July* 20. (Patterson; and 15 others.)

On a new plan of a Steam Engine for propelling boats on rivers like the Susquehanna, by Isaac A. Chapman, of Wilkesbarre (per Dr. Mease), was read.

Plan of a Saw Mill, in a letter from M. du Jarreau to Jefferson, was referred to DuPonceau, Patterson and Gibson.

Election of six new members: Geo. Gibbes, of Boston, late of Rhode Island; Wm. Johnson, of Charleston, South Carolina (one of the Judges Supreme Court, United States); Humphrey Davy, of London; David Hosack, of New York; John Haighton, M.D., of London; J. H. Brinton, of Philadelphia.

1810. *Aug.* 17. (Patterson; and 10 others.)

Warden's paper reported and ordered for the Transactions.

Committee on the reconveyance reported execution.

Committee on du Jarreau's paper. Report accepted.

Donations: Mem. Conn. Acad. I., i; Sundry Specimens of minerals found in the neighborhood of Quebec, referred to Collins to report on.

1810. *Sept.* 21. (Collin; Vaughan, Nichols, Pennington, Hewson.)

1810. *Oct.* 5. (Patterson; Collins, Brinton, Duponceau, Vaughan, Hewson.)

Auditing Committee reported the following investments

of "Magellanic Ballance:" £267 · 17 · 7 ($714.34) procured (at 65 p. c.) Certificate No. 6175, August 23, 1810, on books of Pennsylvania, $1098.99, three per cents. "With the $200 Rittenhouse fund they . . . . purchased No. 6176, Aug. 23, 3 per cents stock $307.69." Both registered in the name of the Society on the Loan Officer's books of Pennsylvania.

Class of Mathematics National Institute, Paris, acknowledged the receipt of "the Volume of the Society's Transactions." Library Company, Philadelphia, acknowledged VI, ii; Antiq. S., London, ditto; Asiatic S. acknowledged "several numbers of the Philada. Med. Museum, and Barton's Supplement of the 3d Vol."

Donations: Thomas' Hist. of Printing in America, 2 Vols., 8°, Worcester, 1810; Arrowsmith's Map of the World, 1809; Rapport sur les Vaccinations, 1809; Dufief's Analysis; Wilson's Am. Ornithology, Vol I, fol. 1808, Vol. II, 1810; Spec. of Azure or Phosphated Iron from Monmouth Co., N. J.; Spec. of talc or serpentine from Newburyport; Specs. of the French Stereotype with 3 pages of the Matrices or letters from which they are formed.

1810. *Oct.* 19. (Barton; and 6 others.)

No quorum for election of new members.

1810. *Nov.* 2. (Patterson; and 5 others.)

Donations: An. Obs., Turin; Am. An. Register, Vol. VI; "An east prospect of the city of Philadelphia taken by Geo. Heap from the Jersey Shore, under the direction of Nicholas Scull, Surv. Gen. Province of Penn. about the year 1752."

Invitation from the Academy of Fine Arts, to Annual Oration on the 19th* in the evening. Treasurer ordered to notify the members to assemble, and to "go in a body from the Hall to the Academy."

* This date is altered and written over; it may be the 9th, 13th or 19th.

1810. *Nov.* 16. (Patterson; and 8 others.)

Donation: Ramsay's Hist. S. C.

Observations at Lancaster on the Solar Eclipse of April 14, 1809, and Lunar Eclipse of April 29, in a letter from A. Ellicott, read; to be continued.

Committee to remove the Rittenhouse instruments were authorized to invite Mr. Ellicott to assist, and to pay his expenses.

1810. *Dec.* 7. (Patterson; and 9 others.)

Donations: Duponceau's Trans. of Van Bynkershoek's Treatise on War; Trans. S. of Arts, London, Vol. 27; Stat. of Cork Co.; Trans. Dublin S., Vol. VI; Librarian ordered to purchase De Bournon's Mineralogie, 3 Vols, 4°.

1810. *Dec.* 21. (Patterson; Vaughan, Gibson, J. B. Smith, Nichols, Collins, Dupont de Nemours, C. W. Peale, Wistar, James, Hewson.)

Ellicott's Eclipse Observations reported worthy of publication in the Transactions.

Donations: Thompson's Chemistry, 1810; Archæologia, XVI, i; a printed drawing and description of Sacket's Machine for ascending River Rapids, "offered to the publick," and sent from Lancaster by T. Green.

Auditing Committee appointed: Gibson, J. R. Smith.

1811. *Jan'y* 4. *Between* 2 *and* 5 P. M. (Duponceau; Barton, Ellicott, Conover, Chapman, Collin, Vaughan.)

Barton, Ellicott, Collin, Judges; Conover, Clerk.

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